

In April, 2006, a change in California law required health care providers, laboratories, and local health departments to begin reporting cases of HIV infection by name. Previously cases of HIV infection in California were reported using a non-name code. Because of various technical complexities associated with implementation of the new law, there have been statewide delays in the submission of HIV/AIDS data by counties to the California Department of Health Services (CDHS). Due to this reporting delay, no HIV or AIDS data are available for the month of April, 2006. All AIDS and HIV cases reported to CDHS for April, 2006 have been included in the May, 2006 statistics. Please contact Laura E. Lund, Chief, HIV/AIDS Case Registry Section at (916) 449-5866 if you have questions.